Naviance

College Planning & Research

Welcome to Junior Exploratory

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Expectations

Junior Exploratory is a time to work on college research....

This is not a free block. NO completing homework, studying, or playing games on the computer.

Naviance will be your college planning and research tool through your junior and senior year. You should KNOW how to log on to Naviance from home and how to navigate through the site.

Goals

- ✓ Get familiar with Naviance
- Search for colleges
- Understand the college application process
 - ✓ Interpret Naviance data & info
 - ✓ Getting on college websites
 - **✓ Schedule College Visits**
 - ✓ Understanding requirements
 - Common application/online applications.
 - ✓ Deadline dates
 - **✓ REACH, TARGET, SAFETY**
- ✓ Leave ELHS in June with a list of at list 4-5 schools that consists of reach, targets, safety's.
- ✓ SAT & ACT

Questionnaire

- Please complete Junior Exploratory Questionnaire.
- Answer the following questions to the best of your ability

Getting logged on...

Naviance Website

http://connection.naviance.com/eastlmh

- Remember the Naviance website above in order to access from home
- Sign In using your username and password.
 - Username—Email:
 - Password:

DEFINE:

- Private College:
- Public College/University:
- Community College:
- ED:
- EA:
- RD:
- Reach:
- Target:
- Safety:

Definitions

- **Private College:** Range in size. Many specialize in certain area such as fine arts, liberal arts, business, or science. Private colleges/universities receive endowments from private donors.
- **Public College:** State system. Offers broad range of academic options. Funded through state and federal resources. Tuition and fees are generally lower.
- **Community College:** Open enrollment. Part of the state's public higher education system.
- **ED**: Early Decision—Typically November application deadline date, with notification in mid December. If admitted, applicants are obligated to attend and must withdraw applications to all other schools.
- EA: Typically November application deadline date, with notification in mid December.
- **RD:** January of February application deadline, with notification by April.
- **Reach:** Reach- 30-40% chance of admission
- **Target:** 30-60% chance of admission
- **Safety:** greater than 60% chance of admission

College Search

- The college search marks the start of the process by narrowing down colleges that will be the right **FIT**.
- ☐ To begin college search, click on the "Colleges" tab.
- ☐ Click on "College Search."
- ☐ Enter search criteria and continue until you have a list of colleges/universities.
- □ Begin researching schools on your list by clicking on the school.
- ☐ Based on the schools you are interested in from your list, please fill out the college search tracking sheet.
- □ Click on "Add to List." (You can refer back to this list by clicking on "Colleges I'm thinking about" under the "Colleges" tab)

Stanley Z. Koplik Certificate of Mastery

Mastery Tuition Waiver Program

• The Stanley Z. Koplik Certificate of Mastery Tuition Waiver awards non-need-based state-supported undergraduate tuition waivers to students who are awarded the Stanley Z. Koplik Certificate of Mastery by the Department of Education.

Who Is Eligible?

- Must be enrolled in a Massachusetts public high school.
- Students who have graduated high school are not eligible to apply.
- Be a permanent Massachusetts resident.
- Be a United States citizen or eligible noncitizen.

Criteria For Candidate For Certificate Of Mastery

• To qualify as a Candidate for the Certificate of Mastery, a student must score "Advanced" on at least one grade 10 MCAS test subject, and score "Proficient" on the remaining sections of the grade 10 MCAS.

Certificate of Mastery

Criteria For Award Of Certificate Of Mastery—To receive the Certificate of Mastery, students must fulfill additional requirements through one of the following combinations:

- 2 AP exams with scores of 3 or better;
- 2 SAT II exams (Minimum score dependent upon subject area. Scores are listed on the Koplik application);
- 1 SAT II exam and 1 AP exam; or
- 1 SAT II exam and 1 other achievement; or
- 1 AP exam and 1 other achievement.

Eligible Institutions

UMASS Amherst, Umass Lowell, Umass Dartmouth, Umass Boston, Bridgewater, Salem, Framingham, Fitchburg, Worcester State, Westfield State, Mass Maritime, STCC, HCC

Award Amounts

• Recipients of the *Stanley Z. Koplik Certificate of Mastery Tuition Waiver* are eligible for an award of a non-need-based *tuition waiver. Students are also required to maintain a G.P.A. of 3.3 for continued eligibility.

*Tuition waived at UMass Amherst is approx \$1,300/year.

How Do I Apply?

• Application forms are available from your guidance counselor

Register for SAT -www. collegeboard.org

May 5th (At ELHS)— Register by April 6, 2012

CREATE A COLLEGEBOARD ACCOUNT...NOW



MY SCORES*

*Not an official score report.

TEST DATE	TEST	SCORE	ACTION STEPS
12/2005	SAT Reasoning Test		View My Score Report and Essay View My College Success Skills Report Order Score Services
	Math	620	
	Critical Reading	580	
	Writing	540	

Register for ACT— www.actstudent.org

April 14th – Register by March 10, 2012 June 9th – Register by May 4, 2012



College SUPER MATCH

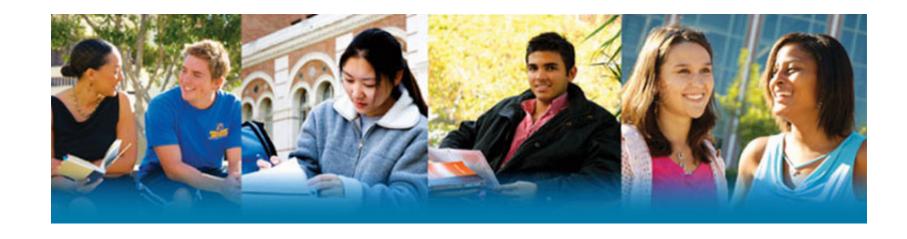
- Naviance: http://connection.naviance.com/eastlmh
- Log-in (Enter e-mail and password)
- Click on "Colleges" tab.
- Complete College Search- SuperMatch
 - Be sure to include one or more the following search criteria:
 - Location
 - Major
 - School Size
 - School Type
 - Getting in

Specify how important each criteria is to you:

Kinda Very Must Have

- Research the schools on this list.
- In order to view more information, facts, discussions, and the school's website, click on "Expand Results" at the top of the page.
- Add prospective colleges to your list, click "Add to List."

FAFSA



FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)
WWW.FAFSA.ED.GOV

CSS Profile

- The CSS/PROFILE helps students provide a complete picture of their family financial situation so they can receive a fair and timely aid award.
- The comprehensive financial information reported on the PROFILE application allows colleges to target their private funds to the most economically deserving students.
- Many private colleges require the CSS Profile.
- https://profileonline.collegeboard.com

REMINDER

 $\underline{www.actstudent.org} - REGISTER$



SAT REMINDER Collegeboard.com



Home > My Organizer > My SAT



☐ REGISTER FOR A TEST ✓ SEND SCORES

TO COLLEGES

→ PREPARE FOR THE SAT

Hi, Roxanne.

MY SCORES*

*Not an official score report.

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HOW DO I COMPARE

Determining how you compare will help you to create a solid list of reaches, targets, and safety schools.

- Click on the "Colleges" tab.
- Click on "College Maps"
- Click on "Colleges that accepted our students"
- Based on your prospective list of colleges, click schools on the college map list.
- Click "Learn More"
- Check out "How you compare" & Application History to compare yourself to other students that were accepted from ELHS.

HOW DO I COMPARE...

- Click on "Overlaps" and review data from this list:
 - Percent accepted
 - Average GPA of those students who were accepted.
- Click on "Compare me" at the top of the page next to "Top 10 Application Overlaps 2010"
- Refer back to your list— Do you have too many reaches? Do you have target schools on your list? Do you have safety schools added?

Continue to navigate through Naviance!

- Scholarship information will be added on Naviance! View the "Scholarship List"
- Explore your college's websites for admissions criteria.
- Add/delete schools from your list.
- Gather contact information and schedule a campus tour for April vacation.
- Check your e-mail for important messages from your counselor.

College Application Research

Objective:

- Understanding the application process from A-Z.
- What do I need to apply?
 - Example: Application, SAT scores, recommendations, etc.
- Click on the "Colleges" tab.
- Click on "College's I'm Thinking About"
- Based on your prospective list of colleges, click on one school.

College Application Research

• Click on View Website & begin to navigate through their admissions criteria.

The application process/admissions requirements for each school can be found by clicking on one of the following:

- Admissions
- ☐ Undergraduate Students
- ☐ Future Students
- Prospective Students

Continue to navigate through Naviance!

- Explore your college's websites for admissions criteria.
- ➤ Add/delete schools from your list.
- ➤ Check your e-mail for important messages from your counselor.
- Check out the courses tab & manage courses using the four year plan—Determine what track you are on for college and if your courses align with this plan.



COLLEGE VISITS

Click: COLLEGES Tab on Naviance to view all upcoming college visits. Click on "sign up" for schools you are applying to.

Note: Admission representatives from various colleges and universities come to ELHS to provide students with an overview of their academics, campus life, campus culture, and their admissions process. It is very likely that these admissions representatives will be reading your application. It is important to be prepared, courteous, and respectful!

What is....??

SITY . BRYN MAWR COLLEGE . BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY . BUTLER UNIVERSITY For Undergraduate College Admission

Common App

- The Common Application is an online and print version First-year and Transfer Application. More than 400 institutions use the Common Application.
- The Common Application streamlines the college application process.
- Rather than filling out 5 applications, you only complete ONE, if all 5 schools are common application members.

Application/Delivery Type

- Click on the "Colleges" tab.
- Click on "College's I'm Thinking About"
- Delivery Type
 - Common Application—Log on to commonapp.org.

 Take a tutorial of Common App
 - > www.commonapp.org
- Online Application—Download the PDF to check out the application.
- You can create a user name and password BEGIN filling out the Common Application <u>AFTER</u> August 1, 2012.

Narrow Down/Solidify List

Click on "College's I'm Thinking About"

REVIEW: Expected Difficulty

- Click on your school, view graphs or click "Percent Accepted"
- Identify reach, target, or safety, and/or financial safety.
 - Reach- 30-40% chance of admission
 - Target- 30-60% chance of admission
 - Safety- greater than 60% chance of admission
- My Interest— How interested are you in each of the colleges on your list?
 - First Choice
 - High
 - Medium
 - Low
- Take a look at your deadline dates? ED, EA, or RD
- Continue to navigate through Naviance!
- Visit college campuses!